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In re Application of:

MORIO HARA ET AL.

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For: RESIN COMPOSITION AND LAMINATE FOR STORAGE OF LIQUID FOOD

Description:

| Composition of:
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND FURTHER REMARKS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 17, 2000, a response which is due Rugust 17, 2000, please consider the following remarks.

Remarks

Claims 1-21 were pending and the Office Action required restriction between the following groups of claims:

- I. Claims 1-19 drawn to a composition and laminate comprising the composition, classified in class 428, subclass 516.
- II. Claims 20 and 21, drawn to a method of making the composition, classified in class 524, subclass 386.

Applicants elect with traverse Claims 1-19 in Group I as the search for both groups is not believed to be overly burdensome. Also enclosed to support the distinctiveness at the present invention is a

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